



Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption  
San Francisco, California

Sunday, June 4, 2023  
4:00 pm

Chase Olson, Organ

Praeludium in g minor BuxWV 149	Dietrich Buxtehude
Vater unser im Himmelreich	Georg Böhm
Prelude and Fugue in c minor BWV 546	J.S. Bach
Rhosymedre	Ralph Vaughan Williams
Choral No.1 in E Major	César Franck
Tree of Life (2013)	Angela Kraft Cross

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### **Upcoming Concerts**

- Sunday, June 11, 4:00 pm: Jin Kyung Lim, Organ.
- Sunday, June 18, 4:00 pm: Mario To, Guitar.
- Sunday, June 25, 4:00 pm: Arete Singers, Tim Salaver, Director. Works by Faure, Poulenc, Duruflé, Saint-Saens, Mayernik, and Bach

**Chase Olson**, 20, is a rising Junior at Oberlin College & Conservatory, where he is pursuing a Double Degree in Organ Performance and Economics.

He began studying organ with Dr. Angela Kraft Cross on his 13<sup>th</sup> birthday, and now studies with Christa Rakich at the Oberlin Conservatory. He has performed as an organist in the Junior Bach Festival headquartered in Berkeley for five years, and attended the Oregon Bach Festival Organ Institute with Paul Jacobs in July of 2021. Chase was the Organ Scholar at the Congregational Church of San Mateo from 2019 to 2021. He currently



serves as the Music Ministry Intern at Lakewood Presbyterian Church in Cleveland. In 2018, he played concerts at St Dunstan's Episcopal Church in Carmel, St Paul's Episcopal Church in Salinas, and St Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco. In June of 2019, Trinity Cathedral of Reno featured Chase playing a concert in their Pipes on the River concert series. He then took lessons with Daryl Robinson and Dr. Isabelle Demers while attending the 2019 POEA in Houston, TX. Chase won scholarships from the San Francisco Peninsula Organ Academy in 2018 and 2023 to travel on study trips to France. He took lessons with Louis Robilliard, Frederic Blanc, Sophie-Veronique Cauchefier-Choplin, Jean-Baptiste Robin, Olivier Penin, Marie-Louise Langlais, Aude Heurtematte, and Christophe Mantoux, and shared a recital at Notre-Dame d'Auteuil in Paris in January of 2019.

In 2020, Chase was awarded a study scholarship from the SFAGO, and participated in the Vierne Series at St Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco, where he performed Vierne's First Organ Symphony. He also participated in the Oberlin Summer Organ Academy, as well as the Texas Summer Organ Camp put on by Baylor and Rice Universities. He played a live-streamed concert November 8, 2020, at Mission Dolores Basilica in San Francisco and was featured in his 5<sup>th</sup> annual shared Halloween recital sponsored by the SFAGO at the Congregational Church of San Mateo. In the first half of 2021, Chase was the interim organist at St. John's Episcopal Church in Ross, California.

Chase also plays piano and began studying at age 8. He has studied with Dr. Megumi Miyata in Oakland and Dr. William Wellborn in San Francisco. He was the recipient of a scholarship award from the Marin Music Chest for piano, and has won State and Branch honors from the California Music Teachers Association Certificate of Merit program. Prior to Covid, he played piano every other Friday afternoon for the residents of Nazareth House, a senior care facility, where he loved to volunteer.